

COLGATE & COMPANY JERSEY CITY PLANT: B-10
(Colgate-Palmolive Company Jersey City Plant: B-10)
44 Grand Street
Jersey City
Hudson County
New Jersey

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Location: 44 Grand Street, Jersey City, Hudson County, New Jersey

Significance: B-10 served as a headhouse for a pipe tunnel under Grand Street at the Colgate-Palmolive Jersey City Plant c1950-88. Although not an individually significant structure, B-10 was significant as a component of the historic Colgate plant.

Description: B-10 was an 18-by-12-foot, single bay, one-story-plus-basement, brick structure with a flat roof. Access was through a single door in the building's south facade. The utilitarian box-like structure was located in a tank yard. (HAER No. NJ-71, B-13 (CENTER), B-14 (LEFT), AND B-10 (LOWER RIGHT) SOUTH ELEVATIONS, VIEW NORTHWEST).

History: Colgate & Company purchased the site of B-10 in 1863, and soon erected a three-story structure used for boxmaking and other unidentified industrial purposes until c1950. The earlier structure, also known as B-10, may have been used for processing of sprayed soap products. Following the construction of synthetic spray detergent facilities on C Block in the late 1940s, Colgate-Palmolive-Peet demolished several structures on this section of B Block used for sprayed soap products, converting most of the area into a tank yard. The later B-10 was built c1950 over the existing pipe tunnel under Grand Street, and was demolished in 1989.

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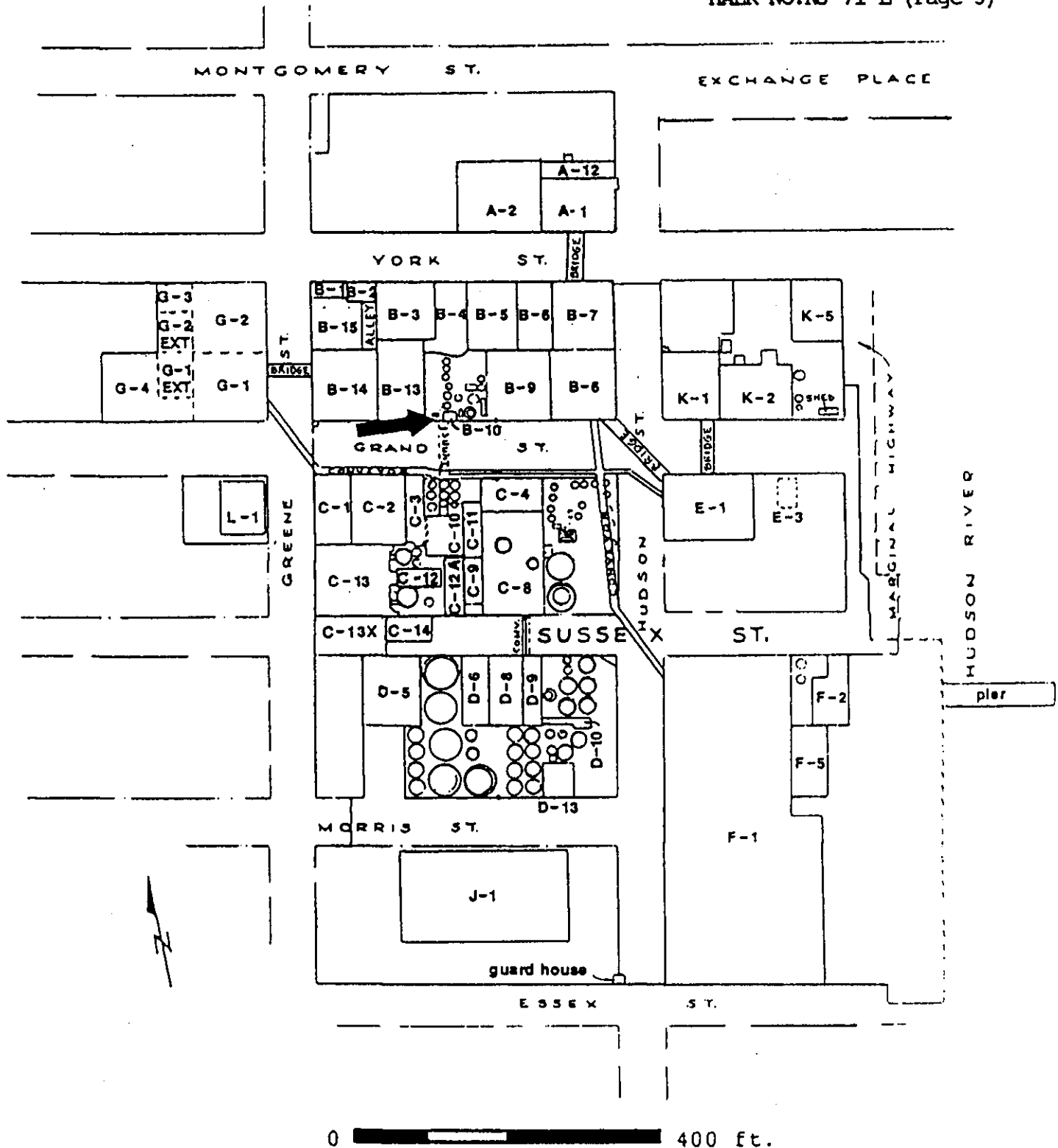


Figure 1. LOCATION OF B-10 AT COLGATE JERSEY CITY PLANT